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Question Three – On Reuse of GMS: Prepare for Use, Just Not Yet

We posed three questions to the eight candidates seeking election to the Greenbelt City Council on November 8. The responses were limited to 300 words. The order in which the responses are published was determined by lot. This week we publish their answers as submitted to the third and final question:

Question 3. In view of new information that the Prince George's County Board of Education will not surplus the old Greenbelt Middle School building for city acquisition but only make portions of the old building available for leasing at a nominal fee and providing only limited funds for building improvements, should the city continue to pursue use of the building as a city community center?

Edward Putens

We have been given some misleading information about this issue. Here is a 10-point summary of the real story.

(1) We do not have the money to buy or renovate the building, now or in the next few years. (2) Renovation costs would be major, as this building is huge, even if some sections are demolished as the City has proposed; and also old, with several parts built at different times dating back to 1937. (3) Aside from the renovation costs, Greenbelt would also have to cover the operating costs every year, which are likely to be significant. Therefore: (4) Letting the County renovate the building and use some of the space would save us money and still leave space

we could use.

(5) Notwithstanding certain statements quoted in the News Review from County officials, and the wording of this question, actual disposition of this building has not been decided and the County has cooperated with the City many times before on property matters. Remember they gave us the North End School that needed major renovations and later took it back in exchange for the now Community Center and built a new Greenbelt Elementary School.

(6) Something will become of the Middle School building, so we do have to deal with it. (7) Part of the building is historic and should be preserved and renovated. (8) The City has an excellent citizen task force working on possible re-uses of

this building, and has generated many good ideas. (9) If we come up with an affordable plan, it will be submitted to a referendum so that the voters can decide.

(10) Finally, the key point right now is that there are a lot of unanswered questions. So keep your wallets in your pockets, don't believe everything you hear, and stay tuned.

Silke Pope

The concept of extending City services to our residents in Greenbelt West is, overall, a good one. The challenge is, in large part, locating a site that would provide the space to accommodate such services. The prospect of being able to use a

See **QUESTION 3**, page 12



Female pilots broke through the clouds in a perilous 1929 air race, the subject of the Utopia documentary “Breaking through the Clouds.”

Utopia Film Festival 2011 Coming Here this Weekend

by Susan Gervasi

The Utopia Film Festival – Greenbelt's annual celebration of independent cinema – opens Saturday, October 29 and runs through Sunday, October 30. More than 40 features, documentaries, short films and animation works will be shown at the Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC), 123 Centerway and the Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

“I think we have a wonderful variety of films this year,” said Utopia programming director Mark Hildebrand. “Several of

our Halloween films really stand out, like ‘Alone’ and ‘Die Farbe.’ The short film ‘Worlds Apart’ will touch your heart and ‘Colt Jackson: Enforcer’ will tickle your funny bone.”

“Die Farbe,” a full-length German horror film with subtitles, will screen at 10:30 p.m. Saturday at GAC. “Alone” is part of “Halloween Shorts 1,” screening at GAC at 2 p.m. and again at 10 p.m. on Saturday. “Worlds Apart” and “Colt

See **FILM FEST**, page 7

Council Meets with BARC Leaders To Discuss Issues of Mutual Concern

by Thomas X. White

The entire Greenbelt City Council and City Manager Michael McLaughlin were on hand for council's periodic stakeholder meeting with representatives of Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) on October 17. BARC officials attending were Joseph T. Spence, director of the Beltsville Area for the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture; Dan Thessen, physical security officer, ARS, and David Prevar,

area safety and health manager, ARS.

The meeting's agenda included a broad range of issues of importance to both BARC and the city. One item in particular, however, seemed to have brought out a fair number of Greenbelt residents – the recent restrictions on pedestrian and bicycle access at the BARC gate on Research Road.

Other agenda items included updates and discussion of several projects adjacent to or encroach-

ing on BARC properties and a rundown on BARC activities relating to the current federal budgeting processes.

BARC Overview

Spence provided a general overview focusing on budgetary challenges facing the Center. He led off with the situation that no federal budget for BARC activities has been approved in the past two and a half years. He believes that when a budget is finally approved for BARC it will not be good.

Out of approximately 150 ARS locations, he said, about 10 will be shut down though these cuts will not affect BARC. There is an ongoing hiring freeze, he said, and buy-outs are being offered to BARC employees. Like everyone else, they are looking for the financial environment to improve.

Surplus Structures

In response to questions from council, Spence discussed a recent report by the federal Office of Management and Budget which identified a large number of BARC buildings that should be declared surplus. He explained that many properties

See **BARC**, page 8

Jordan Seeks Re-election To Greenbelt City Council

Emmett V. Jordan is seeking a second term on the Greenbelt City Council, one of eight candidates for seven council seats. His biography, which follows, is the last to be received by this newspaper, which in previous issues has published the biographies provided by Edward Putens, Silke Pope, Konrad Herling, Judith Davis, Leta Mach, William Orleans and Rodney Roberts.

Emmett V. Jordan is a current member of the Greenbelt City Council, serving as mayor pro tem. He is seeking a second term to continue “Working for a Stronger Community” on behalf of the citizens of Greenbelt. In 2009 he became the first African-American councilmember in the city's 74-year history.

A Greenbelt resident for 12 years, Jordan relocated to the area to work with the University of Maryland in 1998. He made the decision to move to Greenbelt (Greenbriar Condominiums) because of the great access to



Emmett Jordan

recreational amenities, transportation, shopping and the pleasant parks and green spaces.

Emmett, a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, studied liberal arts and music at Morehouse College in Atlanta and at the University of Cincinnati, where he earned a bachelor of science degree in urban administration

from the College of Design Art, Architecture and Planning. He completed additional graduate course work in public administration at Seton Hall University.

A believer in life-long learning, See **CANDIDATES**, page 12

What Goes On

Friday, October 28

4:30 p.m. sharp, Costume Contest and Parade, Registration 4 to 4:30 p.m., Grassy Area by Curves

Monday, October 31

11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Free Flu Shots, Greenbelt Community Center

6 to 8 p.m., Trick or Treating in Greenbelt

Tuesday, November 1

7 p.m., Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board Meeting, Community Center

Thursday, November 3

2:30 to 4 p.m., Free Produce Distribution and Blood Pressure Screening (Screening ends at 3:30 p.m.), Springhill Lake Elementary School

7:30 p.m., Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) Board Meeting, GHI Administration Building

Letters to the Editor

Prioritize Capital Project Needs

As we approach city elections on November 8, I would like to invite all candidates to commit to a thorough review of maintenance needs associated with city buildings and land assets. This process is urgently needed to provide all citizens with the necessary financial context for the ongoing discussion of the current Greenbelt Middle School (was Greenbelt High School), as well as to ensure and enhance the viability of our existing infrastructure for future generations.

Greenbelt's approved budget document for FY2012, available online, includes a list of "un-programmed" (i.e. unscheduled and unfunded) capital project needs. These important projects, looming on the city's financial horizon, include: Movie Theater Renovations – \$400,000 (included in 2001 bond issue, project not begun and substantial matching funds at risk); refinanced Public Works Building Debt – \$900,000; Aquatic and Fitness Center Roof – \$500,000; Greenbelt Lake Dredging/Dam repairs – \$1,500,000; Community Center Gym Windows – \$300,000 (rust almost to the New Deal sculptures); and the expensive and long overdue Greenbelt Fire Station move – \$6,000,000. Although detailed cost estimates are not included in the online budget book, these estimates were included in a handout at the city's Capital Projects work session held on August 17, 2011. The preliminary total was \$9.6 million, and these costs are likely to rise as completion of these projects is delayed.

Citizens across the city may be aware of maintenance needs that have not yet been incorporated into the city's short-term or long-term planning. My own

observations have included crumbling brick walls (e.g. the movie theatre near its missing banner) as well as cross walks, an overwhelmed water garden next to the Youth Center (recently repaired and enlarged) and other nearby signs of soil erosion and recurring drainage issues in the center that have resulted in flooded apartments and reduced tax revenue.

Good stewardship of the city we love involves attentiveness and good communication among residents, city staff and council, as well as prioritization and tough decisions. Let's share what we know, clearly estimate future costs and really make sure that we're taking care of what we have before contemplating major financial commitments to new facilities, regardless of their potential.

Christopher Shuman

GHI Seeks Donations For Lauber Memorial

GHI staff and Directors were saddened to hear of the passing of Dorothy Lauber last week. Dorothy was a long-time member of GHI and contributed greatly to the cooperative. She served on the Board of Directors and on the Audit Committee for several terms and many people fondly remember her speeches at the candidates forums. Dorothy said that she benefited greatly from GHI, but it is also true that we benefited from her presence in our community.

The Board of Directors would like to honor Dorothy's legacy through a bench or similar memorial. Any GHI members who would like to contribute to a memorial are asked to contact Joan Krob in the GHI offices.

Tokey Boswell
President
GHI Board of Directors

GCAN Candidates Forum Is Sunday

The public is invited to participate at the Greenbelt City Council Candidates Forum: Green and Justice for All, on Sunday October 30 from 4 to 6 p.m., at the Greenbelt Community Center Multi-purpose Room.

Come hear council candidates speak about how the City of Greenbelt and its citizens can have an impact on these issues and how they see themselves promoting environmental sustainability as well as peace and justice. This event is hosted by the Greenbelt Climate Action Network, Citizens to Conserve & Restore Indian Creek, Friends of Still Creek, Prince George's Peace & Justice Coalition, the Committee to Save the Green Belt and others.

For questions or more information call Susan Stewart at 301-474-0390 or email greygardens05@yahoo.com.

Patuxent Wildlife Film Festival Coming

Friday through Sunday, November 4, 5 and 6 is the Wildlife Film Festival at Patuxent National Wildlife Visitor Center, with two-hour screenings of short films featuring natural history and wildlife shown all weekend.

Each screening will include two to five films. There is a nominal fee for the series. No registration is necessary. For information visit www.NWCFF.com.

The Visitor Center is located on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 197.

Grin Belt



"Sir, how many acorns did you use to pay for your student loans?"

On Screen

A Drug on the Market

"The Guard," which opens on Friday, October 28 at Old Greenbelt Theatre, pivots on an FBI-led effort to break up a humongous international drug shipment in Ireland. Straight-up agent Wendel Everett (Don Cheadle) finds it tough to get help from a confrontational small-town local cop, Sgt. Gerry Boyle (Brendan Gleeson), who has his own ways and means. A trio of cocaine smugglers ramp up the action under the aegis of first-time writer-director John Michael McDonagh.

Running time: 96 minutes. R, for pervasive language, some violence, drug material and sexual content.

— Eli Flam

recognition of National Co-op month, the Greenbelt Cooperative will begin a month-long campaign to help you find a new cooperative. Those stop-focusing on the Greenbelt Cooperative will begin a month-long campaign to help you find a new cooperative. Those stop-focusing on the Greenbelt Cooperative will begin a month-long campaign to help you find a new cooperative.

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2011 Annual Membership Meeting

Saturday, October 29, 5pm

at Community Center, Room 201

Supper followed by Business Meeting and Election of Officers



Last Chance?

Be a Part of Gretchen's Memory Book

Do you have thoughts, a story, anecdote or photograph that you would like to share with retiring GHI General Manager Gretchen Overdurff?

Send them to blewis@greenbelthomes.net, drop them off at the GHI reception desk or mail them to: Greenbelt Homes, Inc. 1 Hamilton Place, Greenbelt, MD. 20770 Attn. Brenda Lewis. They may be included in a special memory book presentation.

Important: In order to be included your memories and mementos are needed by October 28.

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OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

WEEK OF OCT 28

The Guard

(R)

Friday
*5:15, 7:30, 9:30

Saturday
*3, *5:15, 7:30, 9:30

Sunday
*3, *5:15, 7:30

Monday – Thursday
*5:30, 7:30

*These shows at \$6.50

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

Community Events

GHI Notes

Thursday, October 27, 10 a.m. – Health Fair – Community Center
Friday, October 28, Office Closed. Maintenance emergency service available at 301-474-6011.
Tuesday, November 1, 8:30 a.m. – Yardline Committee Meeting – GHI Library
Thursday, November 3, 7:30 p.m. – Board of Directors Meeting – Board Room
Saturday, November 5, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. – Leaf Bags Distribution – Garage 42, 2 Court Gardenway
Monday, November 7, 7:15 p.m. – Pre-Purchase Orientation – Board Room
Wednesday, November 9, 7:30 p.m. – Architectural Review Committee Meeting – Board Room
Thursday, November 10, 7 p.m. – Finance Committee Meeting – Board Room
Friday, November 11, Office Closed. Maintenance emergency service available at 301-474-6011
Monday, November 14, Office Closed. Maintenance emergency service available at 301-474-6011
Note: Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

Arts Advisory Board Will Meet Tuesday

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. For additional information call Nicole DeWald, staff liaison, at 240-542-2057.

ERHS Fall Concert

The free Fall Concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) Auditorium is scheduled for Friday, November 4 at 7:30 p.m. It will feature the Chamber Orchestra directed by Dr. David Yarbrough; the Wind Ensemble and the Concert Band directed by Sally Wagner; and Men's and Concert Choirs directed by Michele Fowlin. The ERHS music programs draw students from northern Prince George's County. The school is located at 7601 Hanover Parkway.

Trick-or-treating

on

All Hallow's Eve?

Stop by 36J Ridge Rd. for a delightful scare . . . if you dare . . .

BWAA-HAA-HAA-HAAA!!!

6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Monday

GAIL Help Making Medicare Decisions

Medicare Part D Open Enrollment began October 15 and runs through December 7. The Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program staff offers help in reviewing prescription plan options for Medicare Part D participants and those enrolling for the first time.
This year 31 different plans are available, with costs that vary greatly. Each year pharmaceutical companies change their fees, formularies and deductibles. To make wise decisions eligible people need to be sure they are enrolled in the plan that is the best value for their own situation, meets their needs and that they are aware of plans providing coverage in the "donut hole." Also important are Medicare Part D subsidies available to limited income groups (up to \$32,490/year for individuals or \$43,170 for couples).
Greenbelt's GAIL team will discuss all the options, with a scheduled appointment.
To schedule call Rick Cruz 301-474-8000, ext. 3002.

Antique Car Show This Sunday

Sunday, October 30 antique and classic Cadillacs will be on display at the Annual Fall Cadillac LaSalle Show held at Capitol Cadillac Company, 6500 Capitol Drive. The show, with the theme Dazzling Devilles, begins at 10 a.m., with awards presented at 3 p.m. Approximately 80 cars will be on display both inside and out, rain or shine. Admission is free.
Capitol Cadillac is located off Greenbelt Road just south of Kenilworth Avenue. For additional information call show coordinators at 301-894-8026.

ST. HUGH'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Grenoble Hall – 135 Crescent Rd.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5
9 AM – 2 PM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6
9 AM – 1 PM

* SHOP WELL *

* EAT WELL *

* LEAVE HAPPY *

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald
The Golden Age Club has been very busy the past few weeks. Everyone enjoyed the trip to Asheville, N.C. with Mary and Barry Moien.
The club enjoyed a great inter-generational meeting on October 12. Park Ranger John Dillon spoke to us and a group of children from the nursery school. We all touched pelts from deer, coyotes, beaver, mink and even a skunk. Then he presented a live nonpoisonous snake and invited everyone to touch it. Didn't see any seniors taking part but the kids really loved it. We all enjoyed being together, both young and old!
The bench in memory of Bill Souser was dedicated on October 19. John Henry Jones read a very special account of Bill's many years of service here in Greenbelt and all the support and help he gave to the club. Then a moment of silence was asked to send a blessing onward for the bench.
Many thanks to everyone who made this all happen. Very generous donations of time and money and working together can accomplish great things! Stop by to visit Bill's Bench behind the library.

Children's Center Asks For U.S. Food Program

The Greenbelt Children's Center is applying to participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program through the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Federal rules require no discrimination on the basis of admission, meal service or the use of the facilities. The Center is required to notify the public through a local newspaper or other media.
The Center is located in the Greenbriar Community Building at 7600 Hanover Parkway in Greenbelt East. For details call Director Flora Gee at 301-345-8830.

City Receives DNR Playground Grant

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has notified the City of Greenbelt that it will receive \$56,000 in state funds under the Community Parks and Playgrounds Program. This grant will be used to help renovate the playground located where Crescent and Ridge Roads meet. The work will include replacing "the existing play equipment with handicapped-accessible equipment designed for children ages 2 to 5 years old," according to a letter dated October 11 from DNR Director James Price to Mayor Judith Davis.

Upcoming Events At New Deal Café

Friday, October 28 brings the Annual Pumpkin Festival to Roosevelt Center starting at 4 p.m.
On Saturday the Greentop Ramblers celebrate Samhain (Celtic Halloween) with jigs, reels and spooky songs.



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Adults: \$8.50
Students/Military: \$7.50
Children: \$6.00
Seniors: \$6.50
R = ID Required
(!) = No pass, (!!) No pass weekend

Week of OCT 28

FRI. – SAT.
Footloose, PG-13 (!)
11:45, 2:15, 5:10, 7:45, 10:20
The Rum Diary, R
12:45, 4, 6:45, 9:45
Puss in Boots in 3D, PG
No fees at this location
11:40, 1:50, 4, 6:10, 8:20, 10:30
The Three Musketeers, PG-13 (!)
11:55, 2:25, 4:55, 7:40, 10:20
Paranormal Activity, R (!!)
11:45, 1:50, 4, 6:10, 8:20, 10:30
In Time, PG-13 (!)
11:55, 2:25, 4:55, 7:40, 10:20
Real Steel, PG-13
12:45, 4, 6:45, 9:45
Johnny English – Reborn, PG
11:40, 2:10, 5:10, 7:45
The Thing, R
10:30

SUN.
Utopia Film Festival Highlights
FREE, 7

Footloose, PG-13 (!)
11:45, 2:45
Utopia Film Festival to be held after 2:45 showing of Footloose
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More Community Events can be found on pages 2 and 8

HOLIDAY BAZAAR AND AUCTION

Greenbelt Community Church
November 5, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Handmade items, foods, seasonal decorations, gifts.
Raffle Baskets
Exotic SERRV items from U.S. and abroad
Fabulous Bake Sale
LUNCH
LIVE AUCTION BIDDING STARTS AT 1:30 P.M.
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In Greenbelt, MD

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UTOPIA FILM FESTIVAL

seeking a better world through film

Utopia Film Festival

October 29 & 30 - Films start at 12pm

(cash or check only.)

\$5 at the door or \$25 Festival Pass

(includes admission to all events.)

For information call the festival at (301)-507-6581

Or visit www.utopiafilmfestival.org for film schedule

Coming Soon:

November 4 & 6: Staged Readings: The Knot, presented by Dreadnought Theatre Co
November 5: Burlesque(-esque), presented by Dreadnought Theatre Co
November 11 - December 3: Alice in Wonderland, directed by Betsy Marks Delaney

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NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Thursday, November 3, 2011

GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 PM

GHI Key Agenda Items:

- Request for Oversize Shed – 69C Ridge Road
- Suggested Rule Change for Size of Wood-framed Sheds
- Sustainability Survey
- WSSC Update
- Membership Requirements Discussion
- 2011 Fall Concrete Sidewalk Contract, 2nd Reading
- 2012 Operating Budget, 2nd Reading



Regular Board meetings are open to Members
For more information, visit our website - www.ghi.coop

Obituaries

Dorothy Lauber

Dorothy Lauber, age 80, a resident of Greenbelt since 1962 and an active member of the community died on Wednesday, October 19, 2011, after suffering a massive stroke.

Born and raised in Wewoka, Okla., Dorothy and her husband Bob Lauber, (who died in March) moved to Greenbelt in 1962 after he was hired by the Department of Health and Human Services.

She fell in love with Greenbelt immediately and knew it was the perfect place to live and raise children. Mrs. Lauber was a volunteer parent and board member of the Co-op Nursery School and room mother throughout the years her two children attended Greenbelt Center School.

In 1976 Mrs. Lauber was hired as the secretary to the city manager (then James Giese) for the City of Greenbelt. She worked in that position for approximately 15 years and then was promoted to city clerk in 1991. She served as city clerk until she retired in 1995. In 1987, for the city's 50th anniversary, Mrs. Lauber collected remembrances and oral interviews of Greenbelt pioneers and put them together into a booklet for public distribution.

Mrs. Lauber was involved in several Greenbelt institu-



PHOTO COURTESY CITY OF GREENBELT

Dorothy Lauber, in her role as city clerk in the 1990s, takes notes as members of council discuss an issue.

tions – the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Board of Directors for 14 years, the city Board of Elections for 14 years and the Greenbelt Museum, where she had been a docent since its inception. She also served on the Labor Day Festival Committee for years and proof-read for the News Review. She enjoyed walking around Greenbelt with friends or biking and she usually carried a pair of binoculars as she was an avid bird watcher. She went on numerous Volksmarches walking across many states throughout the country.

Mrs. Lauber is survived by daughter Alexa, son Cole, grandson Kelley Kiefner, daughter-in-law Janet Ramsey Lauber and step-granddaughter Rachel Sunday, along with many cherished friends.

A memorial service will be announced in the near future.

– Alexa K. Lauber



Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of longtime Greenbelter and former city clerk Dorothy Lauber, who died on October 19, 2011, after suffering a massive stroke two days earlier. Condolences to her daughter Alexa, son Cole and other family and friends. A memorial service will be held within the next few weeks; notice will be published in the News Review as soon as information is available.

Greenbelters will miss Betty and David Lehman of Julian Court, who have relocated to California to be nearer to a son. David is a retired Goddard employee and Betty, also retired, was the longtime secretary in the Greenbelt Recreation Department. We wish them a happy life in their new home.

Congratulations to Shirley Gray Bailey, who became 80 years young on October 11. She was honored by family and friends at a large gathering held October 15 at the American Legion hall. Shirley is a lifelong Greenbelter, the daughter of pioneer Greenbelters Bob and Jennie Gray and the Bailey family has connections to many other Greenbelt families in three generations.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at newsreview@greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

– Kathleen McFarland

Genealogical Society Upcoming Events

The next meeting of the Prince George's County Genealogical Society will be on Wednesday, November 2 at 7 p.m. in the New Carrollton Municipal Building at 6016 Princess Garden Parkway. Speaker Sharon Hodges will present "Who is Carrie Westerfield's Father?" after a brief business meeting.



Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church
40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt
Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors
www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410
Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



Worship Service 10am
All Saints Day celebration on Nov. 6




Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church
3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi
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Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community


Oct. 30, 10 a.m.

"Honoring the Ancestors: An All Ages Samhain Service" by Rev. Diane Teichert with Erica Shadowsong, director of Religious Exploration, Worship Associate John Sebastian and members of the Nature Spirituality Circle.




ST. HUGH OF GRENoble CATHOLIC CHURCH
135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770
301-474-4322

Mass Schedule:
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.
Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe
Pastoral Associate: Rev. R. Scott Hurd



O Son of Being!
My love is My stronghold; he that entereth therein is safe and secure, and he that turneth away shall surely stray and perish. (Baha'u'llah)

Greenbelt Bahá'í Community
1-800-22-UNITE 301-345-2918
Greenbelt.Bahai.Info@gmail.com www.bahai.us



Greenbelt Baptist Church
101 Greenhill Road
Greenbelt, MD 20770 – (301) 474-4212
www.greenbeltbaptist.org

Welcome!
Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School
Sunday 11:00 am Worship Service
Wednesday 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting/Bible Study
ALL are Welcome!
"Helping People Connect with Christ and His Family Through Loving Service"



St. George's Episcopal Church
Join us around a table where all are welcome!

Services
• Sundays
8 a.m. simple, quiet service (no music)
10 a.m. main service
(music includes a mixture of acoustic guitar, piano and organ music)
• Wednesdays
7 p.m. service with healing prayers (no music)
7010 Glenn Dale Road (Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road)
301-262-3285 | rector@stgeo.org | www.stgeo.org




Catholic Community of Greenbelt

SUNDAY MASS, 10:00 AM
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
SERVE BREAKFAST AT S.O.M.E.
Sunday, October 30
Meet at St. Hugh's School
Parking Lot, 6:00 AM



Greenbelt Community Church
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Hillside & Crescent Roads
Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings
www.greenbeltucc.org
Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.
Daniel Hamlin, Pastor

"A church of the open mind, the warm heart, the aspiring soul, and the social vision..."



BERWYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. James Lawton - Pastor
301-474-7573
6301 Greenbelt Road
Berwyn Heights, MD 20740
berwynpresbyterian.net

Worship : Sundays at 11:00 am -- Child Care Available
Sunday School : Sundays at 9:30 am
Office Hours : M-F 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
"A hospitable, multicultural community of faith"



Mishkan Torah Congregation
10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770
Rabbi Jonathan Cohen Cantor Phil Greenfield

Friday evening services 8:00 PM except first Friday of the month, when children's service begins at 7:30 PM
Saturday morning services - 9:30 AM
Children's Education, Adult Education, Social Action, etc.
For further information call 301 474-4223 www.mishkantorah.org
Conservative and Reconstructionist



Join us this Sunday (October 30th) as we celebrate the 494th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation

9:30 a.m. Festive Service (based on Luther's German Mass of 1526)

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
6905 Greenbelt Rd, Greenbelt
301-345-5111
www.myholycross.org facebook: holy cross Lutheran Church Greenbelt

After the service join us for our Chili & Cornbread Cook Off!





City Information

Meetings October 31 to Nov. 4

Tuesday, November 1 at 7pm, **GREENBELT ARTS ADVISORY BOARD** at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. For additional information, contact Nicole DeWald, staff liaison, at ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov or 240-542-2057.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.




COSTUME CONTEST AND PARADE

Friday, October 28th at 4:30pm sharp

Registration in grassy area in front of Curves from 4-4:30pm. A tradition in Greenbelt! All ages are encouraged to come dressed in their Halloween finest. Prizes for best costumes for Ages 18 months - 6th Grade. Also, Best Family and Best Pet! Trick or Treat around Roosevelt Center.

Entertainment: *The Mayhem Magical Circus!*

TRICK OR TREAT: Monday, October 31st from 6:00-8:00pm. Residents wishing to participate are asked to turn on their porch lights. Apartments should tie a piece of white cloth on their doors.



RECYCLE RIGHT CONTEST

“WIN WITH YOUR BIN”

You can win prizes by properly preparing your residential recycling bin during the next couple of weeks (Oct 24 to Nov 5). Five winners will be selected: one winner from each of the four City Recycling Collection Routes and one winner from a Contractual Recycling Collection Route.

Make sure you have clean, properly prepared recyclables set out on your collection day!

Check out our website to see what goes in your bin:

www.greenbeltmd.gov/public_works/yes_no_flyer.pdf

Part of the **AMERICA RECYCLES DAY** Celebration. America Recycles Day is on November 15. This event is sponsored by the City of Greenbelt and the Metropolitan Council of Governments.

LEAF VACUUM SCHEDULE FALL 2011-2012

The City Public Works Department will again collect loose leaves from the following areas with the leaf vacuum from October 31, 2011 until January 13, 2012. We remind residents to rake the leaves to the curb, but not into the street, and to remove all sticks and stones from the pile as these can damage the machinery. Areas to be collected will be posted as in past years. We also remind residents not to park in front of leaf piles.

WEEK OF:

October 31 - November 4: Lakeside

November 7 – 10: Boxwood (November 11 Holiday)

November 14 - 18 : Woodland Hills, Greenbrook Village Estates, & Windsor Green

November 21 – 23: Lakewood (November 24-25 Holiday)

November 28 – December - 2: Lakeside & Greenspring I & II

December 5 – 9: Boxwood

December 12 – 16: Woodland Hills & Greenbrook Village & Estates

December 19 – 23: Lakewood & Greenspring I & II

December 27 –30: Lakeside & Windsor Green (December 26 Holiday)

January 3 – 6: All areas (January 2 Holiday)

January 9 – 13: All areas

FREE PRODUCE DISTRIBUTION AND BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Springhill Lake Elementary School
6060 Springhill Lake Drive,
Thursday, November 3, 2011 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.
Admission: FREE

Registration: open to all residents, call 301-345-6660. Bring your own bags and rolling carts

Screening by: Washington Adventist Hospital.
Screening ends at 3:30pm

Information: Isha Kamara 240-542-2031





Memory Awareness Month

Are you concerned about your memory or the memory of a loved one? Do you want to learn more about Dementia and related disorders?

Join us for the following **FREE** events! Just call **301-345-6660** for more information and to **sign up**.

Event	Date	Time	Place
“Is it memory impairment or normal aging?” —Come and learn about the facts and fictions of dementia and related disorders!	Tuesday, November 8, 2011	6 PM—7:30 PM	Greenbelt Community Center 15 Crescent Rd Greenbelt, MD 20770
Greenbelt Caregiver’s Support Group —Come and join this monthly support group if you spend a significant amount of time caring for a loved one.	2nd Wednesday of the Month, November 9, 2011	6:15 PM—7:45 PM	Greenbelt Municipal Building 2nd Floor 25 Crescent Rd Greenbelt, MD 20770
National Memory Screening Day —Come and get your memory tested, it will only take 15 minutes!	Tuesday, November 15, 2011	10 AM—12 PM & 6 PM—8 PM	Greenbelt Community Center 15 Crescent Rd Greenbelt, MD 20770



It's Time to Drop In For A FREE Flu Shot !

Monday, October 31, 2011
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Greenbelt Community Center
15 Crescent Road
Multipurpose Rooms 201 and 202
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Parking in Rear • Walk-Ins Accepted • No Appointment Needed

Both intranasal (FluMist®) and injectable (shot) vaccine will be offered.

Children 6 months to 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

This community event is a great opportunity for family members to get their FREE flu shots!

Sponsored By:  

EPI (9/11)

GREENBELT ANIMAL SHELTER

550-A Crescent Road (behind Police Station)

Congratulations to Zeus, Lionel, and the Guinea Pigs on their adoptions! Much happiness in their new homes!

COME OUT AND VISIT ALL THE ADORABLE PETS.




Luna is an adorable young girl who was surrendered to the shelter by her owner. She is full of life and loves to play.

THE SHELTER IS NOW UP TO CAPACITY WITH KITTENS AND CATS THAT NEED HOMES. PLEASE COME OUT TO SEE THEM AND MAYBE EVEN SHARE YOUR HOME!

The shelter is open on Wednesdays from 4-7pm and on Saturdays from 9am-12pm or by appointment. INFO: 301.474.6124.

Donations welcome any time! We especially need kitty litter! Follow us on Facebook!



For city information, news and events, visit Greenbelt CityLink at www.greenbeltmd.gov. Like the City of Greenbelt on Facebook www.facebook.com/cityofgreenbelt

Please pardon our dust while we make improvements to the Braden Field Tennis Courts.

Braden Field Tennis Courts 1 thru 4 are closed and will remain closed until further notice.

Beginning on Wednesday, October 26, 2011 Braden Field Tennis Courts 5 and 6 will be closed until further notice.

Beginning on Monday, October 31, 2011 Braden Field Tennis Courts 7 and 8 will be closed until further notice.

The two tennis courts on Lake Crest Drive are open to the public and available while the work at the Braden Field Tennis Courts is underway. Thank you for your patients and cooperation.

It is expected that Braden Field Tennis Courts 5 thru 8 will re-open for day time use on or about Monday, December 5, 2011. Additional information on the progress of the project and updates to the schedule will be provided as they become available.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.

Vacancies: Advisory Committee on Education, Advisory Planning Board, Arts Advisory Board, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park & Recreation Advisory Board, Public Safety Advisory Committee, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, and Youth Advisory Committee (Adult Member)

For information call 301-474-8000.

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL ACCESS

Week of October 31-November 5

10:00am & 5pm: Labor Day Festival presents “A Johnny Cash Show”

11:30am & 6:30pm: Medicare Workshop 4-Medicare Part D

12:30 & 7:30 “Ask the Expert-Legal Papers”

1:00pm & 8:00pm: Replay of GHI Candidates Forum

Part-time employment opportunity:

Arts Education Specialist, Greenbelt Community Center. 13 hrs/wk, \$12/hr. Help coordinate visual arts classes, service learning, and community public art initiatives.

Open until filled. Application available at www.greenbeltmd.gov. Inquiries: ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov

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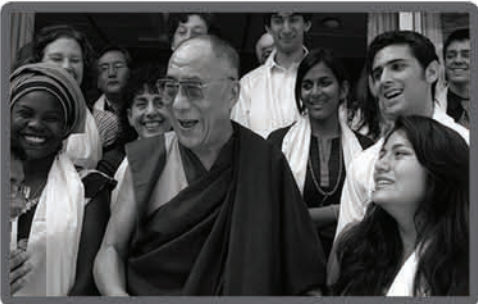
7th ANNUAL
Film Festival 2011

OCTOBER 29th and 30th
www.utopiafilmfestival.org



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TICKETS for all screenings or events are \$5 at the door.
\$25 Festival Pass includes admission to all events.
Passes may be purchased in advance by cash or check at the following times and locations:
ON SALE SAT OCT 29th • 11:00am - 10:00pm at the Greenbelt Arts Center • 123 Centerway
• 11:00am - 10:00pm at the Municipal Building • 25 Crescent Road
• Film descriptions can be found online at www.utopiafilmfestival.org
and in the Utopia Film Festival printed program



Project Happiness

SATURDAY • OCTOBER 29th			
Greenbelt Arts Center 123 Centerway • Lower Level • Roosevelt Center		City of Greenbelt Municipal Building 25 Crescent Road • 2nd Floor • Council Chambers	
Noon	Neutral Territory DRAMA • 76 mins • Josias Tschanz	Noon	Shorts • Kids Shorts Worlds Apart • Colt Jackson: Enforcer • Rapunzel Oliver's Treasure • The Girl and the Fox • Ley Ley Deep Blue Breath • Buddah's Bracelet
2:00pm	Halloween Shorts 1 Passing • Alone	2:00pm	Shorts • Burundi Film Center Pigfoot • Knock Knock (Who's Dead?) • Easy Call Mission: Montreal • Return of Old Man Kabura
4:00pm	Silo Effect: The Treehouse Sessions DOC • 47 mins • Les Owen	3:00pm	Shorts • Adult Docs Molossia: Nation in the Desert • A New Leash on Life Hidden Books: The Art of Kumi Korf
7:00pm	Meteoro DRAMA • 115 mins • Diego de la Texera	4:00pm	Project Happiness DOC • 62 mins • John Sorensen
9:00pm	Shorts • Adult Fiction The Encounter • Moonscape Unforgettable Proposal • Bathing and the Single Girl	6:00pm	Docs In Progress • FREE PROGRAM Screening & Feedback Session featuring: Convergence • Justin Toops & Tracy Thompson
10:00pm	Halloween Shorts 1 REPEATS Passing • Alone	8:00pm	Revealed: Portraits from Beneath One's Surface DOC • 42 mins • Christian de Rezendes
10:30pm	Die Farbe HORROR • 87 mins • Huan Vu	9:00pm	At the End of Slavery DOC • 34 mins • Ted Haddock
		9:30pm	Dilli DOC • 25 mins • Rintu Thomas & Sushmit Ghosh
		10:00pm	Halloween Shorts 2 Shadow of an Intruder • Alone
		10:30pm	The Hounds HORROR • 86 mins • Maurizo and Roberto del Pico



Neutral Territory



Silo Effect: The Treehouse Sessions



Meteoro



At the End of Slavery

SUNDAY • OCTOBER 30th			
Greenbelt Arts Center		Municipal Building	
Noon	Revealed: Portraits from Beneath One's Surface DOC • 42 mins • Christian de Rezendes	Noon	Shorts • Adult Fiction REPEATS The Encounter • Moonscape Unforgettable Proposal • Bathing and the Single Girl
1:00pm	Shorts • Teen & Adult Shorts Losing Touch • Flowers for a Funeral • The 36 A Block From Home • Puker • Inhale • Offline Break Up, Break In, Break Out • Parental Ties	4:30pm	Breaking Through the Clouds: The First Women's National Air Derby DOC • 90 mins • Heather Taylor LOCAL FILMMAKER Screening followed by Q&A with the Producer
3:00pm	Bittersweets DRAMA • 60 mins • Ashley Denise	Academy 8 Theaters Beltway Plaza Mall 6198 Greenbelt Road • Theater 1	
		7:00pm	Best of Utopia 2011 Winning Films Screen



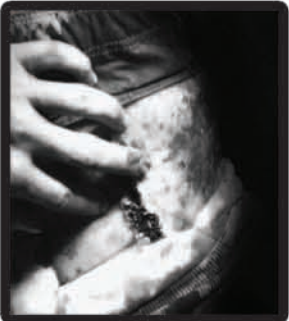
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Breaking Through the Clouds



Revealed: Portraits from Beneath One's Surface



The Hounds

A full schedule of Utopia films and events can be found at www.utopiafilmfestival.org

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Jackson: Enforcer” are included in the “Kids Shorts” program – also suitable for adults – which begins at noon Saturday at the Municipal Building.

Utopia, now in its seventh year, is an all-volunteer project primarily sponsored by nonprofit Greenbelt Access Television (GATE). The festival receives submissions from around the world, which are evaluated by volunteers and ultimately selected for screening by the Utopia steering committee.

“Entries this year continue the Utopia tradition,” said committee member Thomas X. White. “Films for women, films for kids, excellent documentary films and a good sampling of the usual Utopian genre that makes us think about our communities, the environment and our capacity to overcome hardships.”

Overcoming the perils of transatlantic flight in 1929 is the subject of “Breaking Through the Clouds: The First Women’s National Air Derby,” which explores a dangerous cross-country air race made by Amelia Earhart and other women pilots in the infancy of air travel. The film screens at 4:30 p.m. Sunday in the Municipal Building. Its Columbia, Md., producer Heather Taylor will speak afterward and answer questions.

Another local filmmaker who will be available for questions is Kim Bergman, director of “Puker,” a film about legendary northern Virginia skateboarder Tim “Puker” Whistler.

Bergman’s film screens in the “Teen & Adult Shorts” program



A puppy trained by an inmate in the short film “A New Leash on Life”

at GAC on Sunday at 1 p.m., followed by a special post-screening meet-up with Bergman and Whistler at the Greenbelt Recreation Center skateboard park, 99 Centerway.

As Prince George’s County’s first international film festival, Utopia annually screens a variety of films but particularly seeks works which capture the utopian spirit of Greenbelt’s founding during the Great Depression and reflect the festival’s motto: “Seeking a better world through film.”

Hard Truths

But the quest for a better world often requires looking at hard truths and Utopia does not shun provocative documentaries. This year’s “At the End of Slavery,” narrated by Danny Glover and screening at 9 p.m. Saturday at the Municipal Building, explores the grim world of slavery and human sexual trafficking.

Another serious documentary, “A Block from Home” – also in

the GAC “Teen & Adult Shorts” program Sunday at 1 p.m. – tells the story of Brandon Ragnot, a young New York man recovering from a gunshot wound to the head while it explores the human impact of street violence.

In addition to local filmmakers, directors from across the United States, the United Kingdom, Burundi, Germany and Brazil are represented in this year’s festival.

One of Utopia 2011’s unique features will be a program offered by Docs in Progress, a Maryland organization which helps documentary filmmakers shape their work.

At 6 p.m. Saturday in the municipal building, Docs in Progress will screen two unfinished films – “Not Your Average Beauty Queen” and “Convergence” – whose directors will be present to hear audience critiques and answer questions.

“It’s a way that filmmakers can get help when they are stuck,” said Docs in Progress executive director and Greenbelt resident Erica Ginsberg. “But it’s also a unique way for the general public to be directly involved in the creative process.”

Film Times

On Saturday, films at both venues start at noon, with final screenings at 10:30 p.m. On Sunday, screenings run from noon to 3 p.m. at GAC and from noon to 4:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

“Utopia this year offers an hour or two of escape in a historic city where life is simple and laid back,” said Utopia Executive Director Chris Haley. “We all should take advantage of that once in a while.”

Several of Utopia’s best films will re-screen Sunday night at the Academy Stadium Theaters at Beltway Plaza, 6198 Greenbelt Road, in a special free event starting at 7 p.m.

Full festival information including directions, screening schedules and film synopses is available at utopiafilmfestival.org. (A full schedule as well as ticket information are also available on page 6.) Telephone inquiries may also be made to GATE at 301-507-6581.



Pepper the Very Good Witch goes for a ride.

PHOTO BY MONIQUE JEZERSKI

The Bus
Seniors and Customers with Disabilities RIDE FREE



Re-elect
Leta Mach

✓ Experienced ✓ Involved
✓ Committed ✓ Knowledgeable

Building on the Spirit of Greenbelt ...
I have

- Fostered educational excellence and advocated for the new Greenbelt Middle School.
- Promoted health and fitness for citizens and employees and brought us our Playful City designation.
- Looked to cooperatives for successful models to provide services such as Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL).
- Maintained excellent pay and benefits for city employees and initiated the city’s living wage policy.
- Called for city services while reducing the impact on those in need through the city property tax credit.
- Worked for public safety including first calling for a light at Greenbelt Road and Frankfort Drive as ERHS PTSA president in 1992.
- Worked with and kept our county, state, and federal partners aware of Greenbelt’s needs.

... and Expanding the Possibilities
I will

- Work through public/private partnerships to provide community services for all of Greenbelt in the historic parts of Greenbelt Middle School.
- Renovate the movie theater to enhance the vitality of Roosevelt Center by matching grants we already have.
- Work to enhance public transportation, encourage bicycle use, and pedestrian access.
- Continue work to clean Greenbelt Lake after completing the Hillside/Greenhill stream restoration project.
- Support local businesses while monitoring development to see that it is good for Greenbelt.
- Continue to ensure public safety through community policing, prevention programs, and partnerships.
- Respond to budget challenges by carefully evaluating services and using partnerships and grants to expand our resources while reducing the impact on those in need.
- Work to bring all areas of the city into one community.
- Celebrate Greenbelt’s 75th anniversary by respecting the past and building the future.

Contact me at 301-345-8105 or leta.council@verizon.net
View my web site, <http://www.themachs.net>

By authority of Alla Lake, Treasurer

Work Together ✦ Respect the Past ✦ Build the Future



In the short comedy “Colt Jackson: Enforcer,” a security guard becomes embroiled in international intrigue.



On November 8, Re-Elect:

RODNEY ROBERTS

ROBERTS ON PUBLIC SAFETY

- **COMMUNITY POLICING:** Roberts advocates neighborhood police officers dedicated to each community.
- **PATROLS:** Despite the increase of 14 sworn officers in the past 20 years, the number of patrol officers has stayed the same. Roberts advocates increasing the patrol squad to allow more foot and bicycle patrols.
- **BIKE PATROLS:** Roberts initiated the community policing program, which included the city’s first bike patrol.
- **OFFICER RETENTION:** Supported Master Patrol Officer Program to improve hiring and retention of quality officers, supported collective bargaining for our police officers.
- **SAFETY CAMERAS:** Supported cameras at Roosevelt Center, Spellman Overpass, and Franklin Park.

Contact: Citizens to Re-Elect Roberts, P.O. Box 1182, Greenbelt, MD 20768-1182, lauracmoore@gmail.com
By Authority: Yoni Siegel, Treasurer

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listed were essentially sheds and isolated field structures.

Based on a consultant’s report and overall BARC needs, about 200 of these small structures will be demolished, he said. Efforts are underway to consolidate activities within the remaining buildings. For the long term, the Center will close some low-priority programs.

Councilmember Leta Mach asked about BARC opportunities for leasing buildings. Spence agreed that there are leased tenants at the Center and that with upgrades to some buildings there could be more. He said that potential leases would require that tenants activities overlap with BARC programs.

In that context, he noted an upcoming symposium in cooperation with the University of Maryland that will take advantage of ARS/BARC partnering with other research organizations and available grant funds. He noted a current partnership with researchers working on the Bee Colony Collapse Syndrome, where outside researchers can take advantage of BARC’s experience with bee colonies. He also noted BARC’s intern programs with Eleanor Roosevelt High School and other high schools as well.

Councilmember Emmett Jordan asked about the status of the BARC Visitor Center on Powder Mill Road and possibilities for upgrades. ARS speakers noted it is likely that the center will not continue to be operated. Instead the National Resource Conservation Agency may be taking it over. Since it is a historic property, there may be opportunities to preserve its use.

Research Road Gate

Audience members were interested in the future of the Research Road gate. The Greenbelt community was surprised when BARC suddenly blocked available bicycle and pedestrian access at the Research Road gate. This action had reversed a nearly 30-year understanding that the closing of the Research Road entrance to BARC had been intended to block vehicular traffic during the nighttime and weekends while still allowing bicyclists and pedestrians access.

In a written response to McLaughlin in June, Spence had explained that the gate and fence line at Research Road are there to secure that section of the facility after-hours and on weekends. His letter noted that BARC understood that the previous gate had enough clearance to facilitate walkers and bicyclists to access BARC at Research Road when the gate was closed to vehicular traffic.

He said the old gate had been replaced due to its age and structural condition and he asked for the community to understand BARC’s need to secure and protect the federal property. The gate will be opened on some weekend occasions for special events, such as foot and bicycle races.

Mayor Judith Davis asked why the Research Gate was closed when there is access to BARC at other roadways. Spence responded that the closing would make it evident that people who do not belong in those areas would appear out of place, thus enhancing security for the Center.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts noted that the action to block

access to walkers and bicyclists seemed directed to folks who were actually “friends of BARC.”

Kahn Letter

Background information for the meeting had included an October 5 letter to Spence from Greenbelt resident Velma Kahn when she asked him to reconsider the decision to block access for walkers and cyclists. In the letter Kahn challenged the information Spence had received as to limited access present for many years at Research Road having been created by non (BARC) employees.

In her letter Kahn refuted that understanding, providing a copy of an article that had appeared in the Greenbelt News Review issue of December 16, 1981, when then-director Dr. Paul Putnam was quoted as saying, “. . . the gate closing was not intended to keep Greenbelters out but was part of a plan to contain off-hours traffic to Powder Mill Road.”

“We still welcome joggers and cyclists,” he had said later in the letter. Kahn noted that the limited access to pedestrians and cyclists would provide a measure of protection against vandalism or other security concerns that BARC may experience in the area.

From the audience there were also calls for modifying the harsh enforcement language used for the sign on the new gate. Some speakers suggested language that would add a BARC security telephone number people could call if they saw suspicious activity on BARC property.

Others noted that very agile people could probably still get access to BARC while others would find it difficult. Everyone hoped that BARC and the city could work out a suitable agreement allowing limited legal access for joggers, walkers, strollers and bicycles.

The audience also included people who do bird walks in the area, members of water quality watch groups for creeks and streams in the area, trash clean-ups, bike tours and tree plantings.

Although no agreement was reached at the meeting, Spence and his colleagues indicated BARC was willing to consider a “better opening” that BARC could close after dark. Some BARC officials balked at modifications to the sign. Council agreed that BARC officials could consider McLaughlin as the city’s contact for further discussions toward a proposed solution for the gate. They hoped a solution could be found as soon as possible.

Encroachments

Several items on the agenda related to potential actions by other agencies that could intrude upon BARC property or operations. One was the Maryland Department of Transportation/CSX Railroad project to assess several potential sites for a rail/truck intermodal facility associated with the Port of Baltimore (SEAGIRT).

One potential site under review is BARC property just beyond the WMATA Maintenance facility south of Sunnyside Road adjacent to the CSX rail right-of-way. Of three or four sites under consideration, the BARC site is farthest from the Port of Baltimore (34 miles) and its general area is in the Indian Creek flood plain. BARC officials believe the site is inappropriate for such a use.

Another project that could encroach on BARC property is the proposed widening of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. BARC officials would oppose destruction of forestland which buffers their property from the existing road. They plan to attend the next public meeting on the feasibility study for the proposed widening, scheduled to take place at the Greenbelt Community Center on Thursday, November 17.

Although the city has not taken a formal position on the proposed widening of the Parkway, the longstanding policy of the council is to maintain it as a four-lane parkway.

Another potential encroachment on BARC properties is the possible environmental mitigation sites associated with approval of the construction of the Inter-County Connector (ICC). Although the ICC itself does not impact BARC, MDOT is required to mitigate certain environmental impacts of the ICC in areas neighboring the roadway.

According to BARC officials, several reforestation sites are being evaluated and storm water retention facilities are being considered for some BARC areas. BARC officials are taking a scientific and environmentally prudent approach in their discussions on these proposed mitigation measures and intend to protect the integrity of any BARC areas involved.

Other Issues

Several other items were raised at the meeting. The city has learned that BARC is also a member of the Baltimore-Washington Partners for Forest Stewardship. At the meeting BARC officials noted that the cities of Bowie and Cheverly are considering joining the partnership as well as the Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission. The efforts of the partnership are aimed at preserving and expanding the “green

canopy” in the corridor.

Roberts inquired if BARC officials had heard of any more interest by the University of Maryland proposal for a proposed connection from I-95/I-495 through the BARC South Farm to the University’s student parking lot on University Boulevard. They answered that they had heard nothing for a while and believe there would be difficulty funding any connector.

Mayor Davis asked for an update on allowed deer hunts on BARC Property. BARC officials indicated there are assigned hunting areas and that the hunts are managed by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

At the close of the meeting Spence reminded the city of the BARC Field Day scheduled in June 2012.

At the Library

Legacy Lecture

On Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m. there will be an African American Legacy Lecture by C.R. Gibbs on “Benjamin Baneker, Surveyor & the African Roots of his Science.” Gibbs lectures, writes and consults on subjects relating to the African Diaspora. The lecture is part of the library’s African American Legacy Lecture series.

Storytimes

On Wednesdays and Thursdays a librarian reads age-appropriate stories to children and parents using imagination and props.

Wednesday, November 2, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages three to five years.

Thursday, November 3, 10:30 a.m., Toddler Time for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver.

Space is limited; pick up a free ticket for Storytime events at the information desk.

For more information on any of these programs or events visit the library, call 301-345-5800 or visit www.pgcmlls.info.

About the Library’s Storytime Programs

Storytimes presented by the Greenbelt Library can play a vital role in the development of young minds. Children and their guardians can have fun participating. Library staff are extensively and professionally trained in planning and conducting these programs.

Library Storytimes involve the reading of quality books chosen for their literacy and visual value for appropriate age groups and special, fun activities with music that keep the events lively and encourage the development of the child’s motor skills. Library staff may also provide tips for parents and caregivers on how to select and use age appropriate materials for their children.

Capturing a child’s interest and imagination early helps them discover that libraries and literacy can be an enjoyable and valued part of their lives. This allows children to develop the early literacy, communication and social skills needed to be ready to learn by the time they enter school. Reading of rhymes, stories with rhyming words or poems help children notice sound patterns. Engaging children in what is being read further promotes their critical and imaginative thinking and emotional development.

Librarians incorporate emergent literacy to help children acquire pre-reading skills they must know before they can learn to read, such as print awareness and narrative skills.

Storytimes are conducted in a friendly, caring environment where children can become more comfortable in the company of other children and adults. The Greenbelt Library offers drop-in Storytimes for ages 3 to 5 on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., limit 20 persons, and 18 to 36 months with caregivers on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m., limit 20 persons.

For more information call the library at 301-345-5800 or visit the library system website at www.pgcmlls.info.

– Elizabeth Wilkins
Library staffer

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION

ANY REGISTERED GREENBELT VOTER MAY CHOOSE TO VOTE BY EARLY VOTING or ABSENTEE VOTING. NO MORE EXCUSES!

EARLY VOTING: This is the second municipal election in which any qualified voter of the City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by EARLY VOTING. The purpose of the change is to give an additional option to voters and make it easier to vote in City elections.

EARLY VOTING DATES AND LOCATIONS

Springhill Lake Recreation Center,
6101 Cherrywood Lane
Saturday, October 29th, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Sunday, October 30th, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Greenbelt Municipal Building,
25 Crescent Road
Mondays – Fridays
October 24th – November 4th,
9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Tuesdays until 8:00 pm

ABSENTEE VOTING: Any qualified voter of the City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by absentee ballot. There is no longer any need to present an excuse for why you will be absent from your polling place on Election Day.

An ABSENTEE BALLOT may be requested in one of two ways. Each individual requesting a ballot must submit a separate, signed application form or letter.

- Fill out an application form that you may 1) pick up in the City Clerk’s office, 2) request from the City Clerk by phone at 301-474-8000 or by e-mail at cmurray@greenbeltnmd.gov

greenbeltnmd.gov, or 3) print from the City’s Web site at www.greenbeltnmd.gov; or

- Write a letter of application to the City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road, including your full name, domicile address in Greenbelt, signature, and telephone number.

Military service members, their families, and other U.S. citizens abroad who are covered under the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act may also use the Federal Post Card Application (<http://www.fvap.gov>) to request an absentee ballot for City election.

Applications to receive absentee ballots must be received by noon on Monday, November 7, 2011. The completed ballot must be received by the City Clerk no later than 6 p.m. the day of the regular election, November 8, 2011. No absentee ballots will be distributed prior to October 19.

Return your executed absentee ballot in time to arrive by 6:00 p.m. on November 8th by 1) sending it through the U.S. mail, 2) hand-delivering it to the City Clerk’s office, or 3) placing it in the locked drop-box at the east door of the Municipal Building at 25 Crescent Road.

Questions? Call Cindy Murray, City Clerk, at 301-474-8000, or email cmurray@greenbeltnmd.gov.

Greenbelt



Supermarket Pharmacy

Farm Fresh Produce		
Golden Ripe or Green Bananas	49¢ <small>lb.</small>	Fresh Broccoli Crowns \$ 1⁶⁹ <small>lb.</small>
Large Slicing Tomatoes	\$ 1⁴⁹ <small>lb.</small>	Florida Ripe Red Grapefruit 3/\$ 2⁰⁰
Season's Best Crunchy Pears	\$ 1⁴⁹ <small>lb.</small>	Fresh Crisp Celery Hearts 2 pk. \$ 2⁴⁹
		Del Monte Fruit Naturals Fruit Cups Assorted 8 oz. \$ 1⁰⁰
		Fresh Crisp Iceberg Lettuce head \$ 1⁵⁰
		Florida Naval Oranges 4 lb. bag \$ 2⁹⁹

Fresh Quality Meats			
Fresh Value Pack Chicken Thighs or Drumsticks 99¢ <small>lb.</small>	Fresh Value Pack Boneless New York Strip Steaks \$ 4⁹⁹ <small>lb.</small>	Fresh Shurfine Homestyle Roasting Chicken 79¢ <small>lb.</small>	Fresh Lean Boneless Center Cut Pork Chops or Roasts \$ 3⁴⁹ <small>lb.</small>
Fresh Lean Beef Boneless Bottom Round Roasts \$ 3⁷⁹ <small>lb.</small>	Fresh Value Pack Boneless Country Style Pork Spare Ribs \$ 2⁹⁹ <small>lb.</small>	Fresh Value Pack Boneless Bottom Round Swiss Steaks \$ 3⁹⁹ <small>lb.</small>	Prima Porta Italian Sausage \$ 1⁹⁹ <small>lb.</small>

Dairy		Deli		Frozen	
Land-O-Lakes Chunk Cheese Assorted 8 oz. \$ 2⁵⁰	Shurfine Orange Juice Assorted 64 oz. \$ 2⁵⁰	Deli Gourmet Pastrami \$ 7⁴⁹ <small>lb.</small>		Celeste Pizza for One Assorted 5-7 oz. \$ 1⁰⁰	Swanson Pot Pies Assorted 7 oz. 88¢
Int'l Delight Flavored Creamers Assorted 16 oz. \$ 2⁰⁰	Crowley Sour Cream 16 oz. \$ 1⁵⁰	Deli Gourmet Oven Brownd Turkey Breast \$ 5⁹⁹ <small>lb.</small>		Pictsweet Vegetables \$ 1²⁵ Regular/Deluxe/Steamables Assorted 8-12 oz.	Green's Premium Ice Cream Assorted 48 oz. \$ 3⁰⁰
Health & Beauty	Seafood			Natural & Gourmet	Bakery
Right Guard Sport Deodorants Select Varieties 2.8-3 oz. \$ 1⁴⁹	Fresh Catch Flounder Fillets \$ 6⁴⁹ <small>lb.</small>			Looza Imported Fruit Juice Drinks Assorted 1 Liter \$ 2⁹⁹	Fresh Store Baked French Toast Cinnamon Bread loaf \$ 3⁷⁹
Always Infinity Feminine Pads Assorted 14-18 pk. \$ 4³⁹	Louis Kemp Seafood Delights Assorted 8 oz. BUY ONE GET ONE FREE			Big Bucket Premium Mojito Mixer 59.2 oz. \$ 2⁹⁹	Fresh Store Baked Egg Knot Rolls 6 pk. \$ 2¹⁹

Grocery Bargains			
Campbell's Original Soup Chicken Noodle/Tomato 10.75 oz. 60¢	Bumble Bee Solid White Tuna 5 oz. \$ 1⁰⁰	Peter Pan Peanut Butter 16.3 oz. \$ 1⁸⁸	Shurfine Assorted Pasta Select Varieties 12-16 \$ 1⁰⁰
Folger's Value Size Ground Coffee Asst. 22-34 oz. \$ 8⁹⁹	Quaker Cereal Oat Squares/ Cap'n Crunch/Life 12-16 oz. \$ 2⁵⁰	Thomas' English Muffins Assorted 6 pk. BUY ONE GET ONE FREE	Shurfine Pasta Sauces Assorted 24 oz. \$ 1²⁵
			Ken's Salad Dressings Assorted 9 oz. \$ 1²⁵
			Hunts Family Size Canned Tomatoes Assorted 28 oz. \$ 1²⁵

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Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department,
<http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/index.htm>, link in left frame
to "Weekly Report" or http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf.
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Robbery

October 14, 5:12 p.m., Beltway Plaza, a man grabbed a watch from someone's hand and fled. The suspect is described as a black male, 35 to 37 years old, 6'4" to 6'5" tall, weighing 140 to 260 pounds, bald, wearing a Hugo Boss jacket and black jeans. He fled in a gold BMW with unknown Md. tags.

October 14, 11:39 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane, two young men approached a man, assaulted him and took his property. The suspects are described as two black males, 18 to 21 years old, 5'9" to 5'11" tall with a medium build, wearing dark colored clothing.

Trespass

October 18, 3:34 a.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane a non-resident man was arrested and charged with trespassing on private property. The suspect was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Vandalism

October 17, 10:05 p.m., Crescent Road at Hillside Road, graffiti was found on the tunnel walls.

October 20, 4:06 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Court, sliding glass door was damaged by a BB gun.

Burglary

October 15, 9:02 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane, electronics were reported taken.

October 16, 6:51 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, tools and electronics were among the items reported taken.

October 16, 7:35 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court, electronics were taken.

October 17, 8:18 p.m., 100 block White Birch Court, jewelry was reported taken.

October 18, 5:05 p.m., 6200 block Breezewood Court, electronics were taken.

October 19, 7:11 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, it

was reported that electronics were taken.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a white 1999 Chevrolet Corvette with Md. tags from the 9100 block Springhill Lane and a black 1998 Jeep Grand Cherokee with Md. tags from the 5700 block Cherrywood Lane.

A purple 1992 Chrysler Town

and Country van with Md. tags was taken and later recovered by Prince George's County Police in the 17 Court Ridge Road. No arrests were made.

Thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7600 block Mandan Road (cable boxes); 6900 block Hanover Parkway (tools, electronics, bicycle) and 7800 block Lakecrest Drive (handicap placard).

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter. Call 1-866-411-TIPS. People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 240-542-2145.



Dr. David McCarl, Dr. Clayton McCarl, Dr. Monica Mattson, Dr. Jay McCarl
McCarl Dental Group

Dental implants are today's standard of care for replacing missing teeth and securing removable dentures. In the past few years, improvements in dental implant technology have made implants **more reliable, more comfortable and more affordable**. There are circumstances for which a dental implant has replaced root canal therapy as the preferred dental treatment. When the root of a tooth is too short or too badly damaged to support restoration with a dental crown, it may be best to extract the tooth and place a dental implant. The implant will provide greater support for the restored tooth and improved long term success.

Dental implants are placed in the jaw where they fuse to the bone. They are effective for restoration of a single missing tooth or multiple missing teeth. In the past, dentists relied on procedures that were often temporary measures to repair badly damaged teeth. Now, in many cases, implants restored with crowns will last longer and cost less than ongoing repair efforts.

When you lose a tooth, your jawbone gradually loses strength and firmness. This leads to bone loss and can even cause changes in facial features. The loss of just one tooth can cause uneven chewing and an unstable bite. The remaining teeth shift and proper cleaning becomes more difficult. A misaligned bite can also contribute jaw joint dysfunction and headaches. Unlike a denture or bridge, a dental implant can prevent bone loss at the site of the missing tooth.

Many patients tell us that having a dental implant placed is more comfortable than they expected. Unlike teeth, the jaw bone does not have nerves. The type and density of bone varies from patient to patient and even within different locations in the same patient's jaw. Bone density will determine whether the dental implant can be restored immediately, or whether the implant needs to "sleep" and strengthen for several months before use. Allowing an implant to "sleep" and fuse to the jaw bone significantly adds to its strength.

There are advantages to having a properly trained general dentist place your implant. A general dentist will be restoring the implant and can determine

the type and size implant that is most suitable as well as optimal position for later restoration. When the implant is placed and restored by the same dentist, there are fewer visits to the dentist which results in lower cost and greater convenience for the dental patient. Many patients are pleasantly surprised that the cost of dental implants is much lower than they expected. If you are missing teeth, visit a properly trained dentist to learn how dental implants can improve the health of your smile.

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City Notes

Horticulture/Parks/Playgrounds crew continued working on the bio-retention swale between the Youth Center and Braden Field Tennis Courts, removed the Belgium blocks from tree pits in Roosevelt Center to help maintain proper tree health, transported trees from a nursery to be planted in East Greenbelt and removed three trees along Hanover Parkway due to insect infestation.

The Braden Field Tennis Court renovation and lighting project continued including trench work for conduits and digging footer holes.

Work on Springhill Lake Recreation Center continues with the bulk of outdoor siding work completed. Demolition in the staff office is mostly complete. The office space floor is being prepared for installation of tile. The tile work in the restrooms has been completed, fixtures installed and painting is completed. Work in the gymnasium is underway and will continue into next week. The gym will remain closed while this work is done. It is expected that work at the center will continue into November.



Senior Softball Team 2011. Front Row Kneeling: Irv Salzberg, Clarence Collins, Al Morton, John Strekel and John Benish. Second Row: George Harrison (manager), Carl Reed, Jasper Pendergrass (coach), Patricia Gaines, Robert Colbert, Lefty Smith, Jim Dugan and Tom Lee. Back Row: David Kerr, Willie White, Phil Olson, Paul Williams, Larry Dandridge, Alvin Nelson, Fred Bohle and Barry Clark. Not Present: Richard Bennof, Eli Flam, Tommy Howe, Bert Kerr, Clyde Moody, Shelton Morgan, Rex Powell, Melvin Royster, Sr. and Umpire John Funderburk.



Team members receive the Division C playoffs plaque for their win in the Baltimore Beltway Senior Softball League. Left to right are Irv Salzberg, Shelton Morgan, Paul Williams, Jasper Pendergrass, Larry Dandridge, Mayor Judith Davis, Barry Clark, Alvis Morton, Clarence Collins and Joe Battle.


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By the Authority of Mary Hatcher, Treasurer

K O N R A D H E R L I N G



Photo by Bill Cornett

Bio in Brief

B.A. Towson University, History, Secondary Ed.

Broadcast Analyst, FCC

Founded Greenbelt Arts Center Member, Crime Prevention Committee (now Public Safety Advisory Committee)

Organized Charrette for Roosevelt Center

Helped write Community Pledge

Chaired Community Relations Advisory Board

As a City Council Member, I have:

Served as liaison to

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability

Arts Advisory Board

Been a board member of

Envision Prince George’s

Prince George’s Arts and Humanities Council

Wrote the grant for community Transportation Charrette

Have been the leading advocate for marketing

Have been a leading advocate to explore an Economic Development Strategy

Supported the Purple Line

Supported stronger storm water legislation

Continues to be Committed to:

Improving Transportation - continue to work with Metro and the County bus services to better serve all areas of the city; continue to explore establishing a circulator connecting us to the three shopping centers, recreation areas and the Post Office.

Sustaining police coverage of overpass, more police presence on the street.

Fully exploring efforts to develop smart economic strategies to maintain, and if possible, enhance our city’s services while broadening our tax base.

As Council’s liaison, **Working** with Green ACES to develop a smart, long range Sustainability Plan for the City.

Reaching out to the Community, through producing programs for Greenbelt Access TV, writing articles for the Greenbelt News Review.

To Make Our Great City Even Greater, Konrad urges all citizens to consider joining him in any of these efforts:

Create an International Cultural Festival Program. An Annual program to celebrate the many cultures and to access how effective we are in reaching out to the new populations that now make up Greenbelt.

Support community arts organizations such as the Greenbelt Arts Center which contribute to the economic and social development of Greenbelt.

Create a Council of Organizations, an effort to take the “welcome wagon” to a higher level. Volunteer to take City’s excellent brochure to new residents, welcome them to Greenbelt (with tickets to various cultural events and community activities), giving new residents a personal contact for information and resources.

COMMITTED TO ONE GREENBELT

RE-ELECT KONRAD HERLING to the City Council

By Authority of Trina Coore, Treasurer

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renovated version of the old Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) has been very promising. Our GMS Task Force has done a tremendous job researching all of the potential uses for this building. However, the sudden shift in plans by the PG County Board of Education has created a lot of uncertainty. At this time, it is unclear exactly whether the school board will do any renovations to the building, how much they are willing to spend on such renovations and what type of renovations may be made. This makes it very difficult to make any real plans or commitments, even if just on paper, to this process.

If the historic portion of the school were restored, it certainly would be a perfect fit with Greenbelt’s already rich history. And, if the opportunity should arise to lease, for a nominal fee, a renovated portion of the historic GMS, I believe that this would be a wonderful and welcomed solution, which would allow us to have the facilities to expand our city services to our residents in Greenbelt West. However, my current stance is one of caution at this time. I will not agree to over extend our City finances, which are already stretched too thinly. I do not want to put another possible burden on our taxpayers at this time. Our economic situation is not as stable as we all would like. With so many unknown factors and unanswered questions, I would not support the project at this time.

Leta Mach

This may be a blessing in disguise. Our Greenbelt Middle School Task Force spent several months exploring this issue and looking at the expenses that might be involved in acquisition. If instead, the school would only be available for lease it would be much less expensive.

The Task Force has identified many uses for the school. Our present community and recreational facilities are bursting at the seams with programs and organizations asking for space. Part of the Middle School could be used to meet those needs. We could use the gymnasium, one of the best in the city, to provide more locations for formal or informal sports. The kitchens that were once used to teach home economics could be used to offer intergenerational programming. Such creative programs would draw people from all areas of the city meeting needs and forging community.

I would like us to use the historic parts of the school after it is renovated by the school system. It was the Greenbelt High School and an integral part of our city and its history. We have the responsibility to see that our legacy, particularly evident with the upcoming 75th anniversary, is protected. This includes advocating for the appropriate use and preservation of the historic high school with the owners, the Prince George’s County Public Schools.

For 23 years, the Middle School was on the CIP program and for much of that time I advocated for a new school and a city use for the historic school. When the decision was made to construct a new school, money was identified to renovate the historic building. We must see that this money is used as intended. In an effort to prevent any further misunderstandings, the city has sent the school system a letter asking for clarification of many items.

William Orleans

It is not evident to me that the Board of Education would not surplus the old Greenbelt Middle School, and that the County would not make it available for City acquisition. In the two most recent public discussions, it was suggested that it would not. (I cannot know what was discussed in Council’s Executive Session).

My understanding is that the System currently maintains three former schools. The new Greenbelt Middle School apparently is not being built with additional capacity in mind, which is probably a mistake; the System perceives a need for a greater capacity in North Prince Georges. But in the public discussions the two administrators did not suggest that the old school site would be used to meet that potential need. They indicated the physical plant of the old school is inappropriate to modern school uses.

Should Greenbelt not pursue acquisition, there is a chance that Greenbelt could lose its opportunity to acquire, that the System and County might be encouraged to sell to the highest bidder. More City space is necessary, specifically in Greenbelt West. We would benefit from having more public space, and having more storage space – it now rents such.

Were it to be sold to the highest bidder – it is a prime location (location, location) – the City might not be able to control its uses.

Greenbelt should indicate now its desire to acquire, publish a notice, soliciting interest from the private sector, which private entity would agree to rehabilitate – renovate all or part of the existing structure for public and community uses, with the right to build atop the school for market and subsidized housing. A condo home overlooking Greenbelt Park, BARC, and the green vistas on the horizon to the west would likely sell well, profiting the City and its private partner both.

Konrad Herling

The fact that the City would be renting does not alter my thinking as to what the preserved building would be used for – to address the inequities of services for Greenbelt West residents. The goal of improving the quality of life in Greenbelt West is critical to building “One Greenbelt”. However, before we make an investment to reach that goal, several points should be addressed.

First, we need to take a serious look at how we can recover more of the operating costs at the existing community center, where we recover only approximately 35% of those costs. Lessons learned from our center in old Greenbelt could help significantly reduce that 65% gap and could be applied at the Middle School. (This task would be appropriate for a city created private-public sector economic development entity; it could also make recommendations on the points raised below).

Second, will there be transportation for Franklin Park’s residents to safely and easily access the renovated site?

Third, rather than spending \$600,000 plus in annual operating costs at the site, would it be less costly to fund an expanded “Greenbelt Connection” to connect Greenbelt West residents to existing services such as the community center in Old Greenbelt?

Fourth, in that the owner of Franklin Park, Fieldstone Proper-

ties, is planning on building a fitness center, could we explore with them building a larger private-public sector facility that would provide the same, if not more community services?

We need to explore the various options to close the inequity gap for current residents of Franklin Park, and proactively address the needs of future metro area residents, businesses and workers. One way or another, we need to explore making a wise investment which assures us that our dollars go further and serve all our residents well.

Judith Davis

The City should continue to explore the possibility of leasing portions of the historic part of the Greenbelt Middle School. Gathering responses to specific questions is currently being undertaken. To this end, by a unanimous 7-0 vote, Council authorized that a letter be sent, over the signature of the Mayor, to Dr. Hite.

The Greenbelt Middle School Task Force spent months of intensive fact-finding and should not be vilified for their efforts. Utilizing parts of the building is an opportunity that the City should not ignore. The City has needs that currently cannot be completely met by the facilities in Center Greenbelt. Social services, cultural venues, sites for expanded recreational use are in greater demand, including finding additional space for some of our cramped departments, such as CARES and Code Enforcement. Greenbelt West could serve as an excellent location for supplementing these activities in an area that would benefit from nearby City services. Public-Private Partnerships involving the Board of Education, the County or possibly the City could support computer labs, technology and vocational courses, small business incubators and similar uses.

Paramount to all future decisions is the amount of available funding and public support. This should be determined along with possible uses. Criticism and concerns also arose when the City contemplated the acquisition of our current Community Center. Many doomed it to failure, a “white elephant” devoid of active use. Those naysayers were wrong, as it has become a valuable asset for our City. Careful consideration, public participation and hearings, coupled with a degree of fore-sightedness and a desire to invest in the future by utilizing a part of our historic past, should be allowed to move forward. Eventually it will be our voters that decide. To declare it DOA now would be a mistake.

Rodney Roberts

I see a world of possibilities in the re-use of the old Greenbelt Middle School, and I would like to see the entire building be retained for uses that benefit the citizens of the city and county. I also see our current fiscal realities, and I believe our next step must be to have a referendum to allow the citizens and taxpayers of Greenbelt to decide if they want to take on the cost of maintaining and operating a new facility of this size. We already have a long list of unfunded projects, public safety needs, and basic maintenance needs for city property, parks, and infrastructure.

Emmett Jordan

The city should continue to evaluate the possible use or acquisition of the historic middle-school building for the benefit of

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Jordan participated in the Legacy Leadership Institute on Municipal Government at University of Maryland during the spring of 2009 and completed an Academy for Excellence in Local Governance fellowship through the Maryland Municipal League in 2011.

Career

In his professional life, Jordan has worked for a wide variety of nonprofit organizations and agencies, including the Smithsonian Institution, University of Maryland at College Park, Plainfield Neighborhood Health Center and the United Negro College Fund. Since 2005 he has run his own business as an independent contractor, providing professional services related to marketing, communications, strategic planning and fund development.

His career has provided him with more than 25 years of experience managing projects and coordinating volunteer boards for nonprofits and associations.

For more than two decades, he was a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP), a trade organization in the nonprofit industry, and he served on the board of directors for the Washington, D.C., AFP Chapter from 2004 to 2008 (two years as vice president of communications).

Values

Jordan dedicates many hours each month to civic and volunteer activities. He is a member of the Human Service Coalition of Prince George’s County and a frequent participant in the programs of the Maryland Association of Nonprofit Organizations and the Center for Nonprofit Advancement. He has worked as a volunteer for the United Way of Prince George’s County, the DC Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation and the Corporation for National and Community Service. From 2000 to 2005, he co-chaired the Urban Roundtable, an auxiliary organization for the Greater Washington Urban League (GWUL).

Community service and volunteerism were important values in Jordan’s family. The son of an educator and a social service administrator, he was raised in the progressive tradition of the Unitarian Church. He attends Reid Temple AME Church occasionally and he actively supports commu-

nity events and fund-raisers for local congregations of all denominations in Greenbelt.

Community Service

As a councilmember, Jordan serves as liaison to the city’s Community Relations Advisory Board and to Greenbelt Access Television (GATE). He represents Greenbelt on committees with several regional and national organizations, including the Maryland Municipal League, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments and the National League of Cities. Jordan is currently serving a second term on the board of the Prince George’s County Municipal Association.

Prior to 2009 Jordan was a member of the city’s Advisory Planning Board where he spearheaded an effort to update the city’s bicycle and pedestrian plan. He served on his homeowner’s association board, Phase I of Greenbriar Condominium Association, for five years, including two terms as treasurer. He has been a member and committed supporter of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club since 2004.

He also worked as a Prince George’s County Election Judge in College Park from 2004 to 2008.

In 2010 Jordan finished a four-year term as a board member of the Greenbelt Community Foundation (GCF), which he both co-chaired and then chaired after heading the proposal review committee for two years. He continues to volunteer his time and expertise with GCF, providing technical advice and occasionally teaching grant-writing workshops to community members.

He is a member and former co-chair of the Greenbelt Tennis Association. He also is a member and advocate for Transit Riders United of Greenbelt, a volunteer with the Greenbelts Arts Center and a board member of Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES).

An energetic 54-year-old, Jordan enjoys attending concerts, art exhibits and other cultural programs as often as he can. He appreciates and takes full advantage of the “quality of life” amenities that make Greenbelt a special place. Some of his favorite pastimes include spending time outdoors around Greenbelt, playing tennis, bicycling and playing the guitar.

our residents. When the Middle School Task Force finishes assessing community needs and makes usage recommendations, the city should develop a “business plan” analyzing likely expenses and revenue over time. Until then, it is premature for City Council to present proposals to the voters for their consideration.

The building, part of the original Greenbelt plan, has significance and is designated “historic” by Prince George’s County and the state of Maryland. Unless the Board of Education intends to sell it “as is” or to “warehouse” it for future use, they must pay to renovate it to meet current standards for accessibility and efficiency.

We must look beyond current economic conditions to anticipate our future needs, five-to ten-years out. With renovations and policy changes, Franklin Park may be transformed. Redevelopment plans at Beltway Plaza have been pending for three years. Construction on parts of a Greenbelt

Station development may be underway or finished.

Much of Greenbelt’s population lives west of Kenilworth, within blocks of the school. These Greenbelters might become civically engaged if city services were more accessible. With improved transit linkages, the site would be accessible citywide.

We need more afterschool programs for youth. The need is greatest among middle-school students, but Springhill Lake Recreation Center is small. Our Community Center is near capacity for programming and activity space.

A multipurpose facility, perhaps operated through a public/private partnership (like a community development corporation), could provide needed space for meetings and programs (arts, recreation, educational) while producing income to cover operating costs. The location would also be ideal for regional services, so I have repeatedly raised the idea of providing health and social services at the site.

Parental Involvement Enhances Learning at GNS

by Chris McComb

Nearing its seventh decade as a city fixture, Greenbelt Nursery School (GNS) sets itself apart from other preschools with its status as a co-operative educational environment. Each family is required to participate actively in the program, including working in the classroom as a teacher’s aide and working on committees that keep the school running.

Parent Involvement

While family participation moderates the tuition, the time factor can be a deterrent for some parents. Most parents at GNS, however, delight in the experience and it is, in fact, the involvement that attracts them to the school. Parent Dannielle Bietzell was attracted to the school because “the tuition was lower, the classroom ratio seemed smaller and I had really good feelings from the parents and teachers I met. I felt my daughter would be safe, well cared for and have a great learning environment available to her.”

Working in the classroom provides a valuable learning experience for parents. Co-op parents have the opportunity to witness how their child behaves in a group setting, how other children in the same age group behave, as well as how a school program works firsthand. Teacher Pamela Hamlin says, “I feel that [the co-op parents] are more supportive since they see what is going on and can reinforce ideas at home.”

Many parents who do not have any background in child education find that the experience greatly enriches their parenting. In fact, the co-op experience had such an impact that a majority of GNS’ staff either has their own children presently attending GNS or have children who have attended in the past.

While the school’s programs focus on play, the staff organizes daily activities in art, music, literacy, math and science. A benefit to having parent aides in the classroom is an ability to enhance the planned activities with their talents. Parents with musical or artistic talents have played their instruments and prepared and taught in-depth art projects.

Co-op parents also share traditions surrounding holidays that they may celebrate at home. For example, an Iranian family shared about Naw Ruz and set up a table as it was decorated at home for the seven “S” words of the holiday. A mother and son dressed up in clothes from their native India in celebration of Eid at the end of Ramadan.

The cooperative status of the school also puts the teaching staff in a unique position. The teaching staff largely agrees that it can be intimidating at first to have parents in the classroom but once they grow accustomed to it, they like it.

Hamlin admits to having been intimidated at first. “I like having them see how things really

are. I try to explain why I do certain things. I also enjoy talking and getting to know them and a bit about how things are at home. I really love my job!”

History

GNS was founded in 1942 as a parent co-op. It is one of the oldest cooperatives in Greenbelt and one of the oldest teaching cooperatives in Maryland. For the 2011-2012 school year, nearly 80 children were enrolled in the school’s programs and more than 90 percent of the enrolled children have parents who are committed to full or limited co-op status. Even the parents who are not able to work as classroom aides maintain involvement through various committees.

GNS employs nine staff members, including eight teaching staff, all of whom are well trained and experienced in dealing with children at all developmental levels.

All of GNS’ teachers and teaching assistants participate in the Maryland Child Care Credentialing program, which recognizes child care providers who pursue continued education and professional activities beyond state licensing requirements. GNS was among the first nursery schools in the nation to achieve accreditation under the National Association for the Education of Young Children’s updated accreditation process, which is designed to help families identify high-quality child care and early education programs.

GNS offers half-day nursery school programs for children aged 2 to 4, with two-, three-, four- or five-day options, as well as extended care. The school is located in the Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Road. It holds an annual open house in late February and invites families to visit the school, observe and talk with the director at any time. For more information visit the GNS website at greenbelt-nurseryschool.org.

Chris McComb is a parent of a current student at Greenbelt Nursery School.



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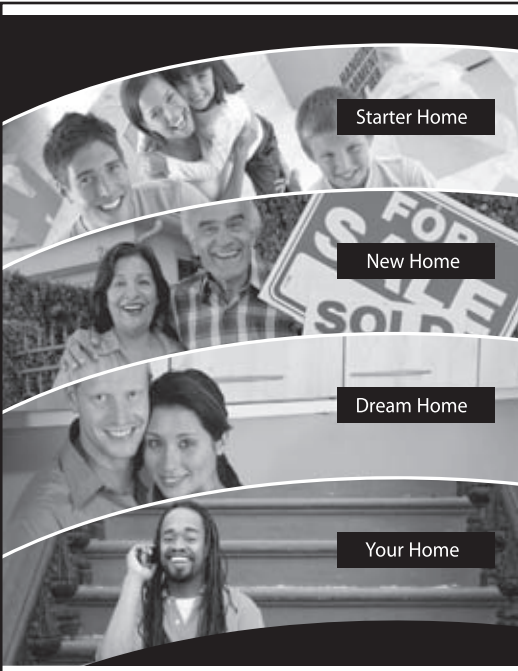
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Wine at Farmers Market May Be a Possibility

by Barbara Hopkins

Wine could become one of the many items shoppers can buy at the Greenbelt Farmers Market (GFM). The Greenbelt City Council held a worksession with members of the market on September 21 and on October 10 council approved the action at its regular meeting. Paperwork with the state, however, can take as long as four weeks, so buyers may have to wait till next season to take advantage of the change.

Changes to State Law

To encourage the growth of the Maryland wine industry, the state legislature recently passed laws allowing limited participation for wineries in farmers markets. Wineries may sell closed bottles of wine and pour samples of one-half ounce or less where permitted by local ordinances. Because Greenbelt City Code does not permit consumption, or even open bottles, of alcohol on city property, farmers market patrons would have to be willing to buy the goods untasted.

Joe Gareri, a farmers market board member, said since Maryland wines are not widely known, the market is hoping to include wine tasting along with sales but as a start he said the GFM would like council approval to apply to the state comptroller's office to sell wine. He said only Maryland vineyards would be represented and each vendor would pay a fee and be responsible for obtaining the necessary permits. Vendors would participate no more than twice each season.

Council Reaction

Councilmembers were mixed on the idea of tastings. Councilmember Edward Putens made a motion to approve the sale of unopened bottles of wine at GFM without allowing tasting. Councilmember Emmett Jordan provided the second.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts said he would have to vote against even the sale because he does not condone the use of alcohol under any circumstances. Councilmembers Leta Mach, Konrad Herling and Silke Pope advocated a two-step process: first to allow sale of wine with the possibility of changing the city code, then later to allow for tastings. They thought the idea would not be successful without permitting tasting.

Herling suggested the second step should take place in time to allow tastings during the next farmers market season.

Mayor Judith Davis said she would not support changing the ordinance against open alcohol on city property but if there were such a movement, she felt there should be a public hearing on the topic. She also wanted assurance that sellers would properly verify the ages of all people buying wine.

The motion to allow the sale of wine at the Greenbelt Farmers Market passed 6 to 1 with Roberts voting against.

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These are challenging times for many Greenbelters and for our country. There are many issues facing council that will require creativity. While learning much from city staff and from other council members, I brought a fresh perspective to council and have had an impact on the way we are working. It’s been a privilege to serve on City Council and to bring constructive ideas that are moving our City in some new directions.

The good will of many people like you allowed me to take a seat on City Council. Below is a listing of a few of my supporters. I hope you will join them in voting to re-elect me to the Greenbelt Council. I respectfully ask for your vote, so that I can continue to serve and represent our community.

Re-elect Emmett V. Jordan

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Community & Economic Development

During my first term on council, I emphasized the importance of long-term planning, community development, and transportation. Planning should be an on-going process that moves us towards implementation. Many good ideas came out of the visioning that took place four years ago (the Greener Greenbelt Initiative, the City’s visioning sessions, and with the Greenbelt West property owners around the Metro). On the eve of our 75th anniversary, as we fondly look back, we must look forward to imagine the best possibilities for what our future holds.

Role of Council

Our role as councilpeople is to be well-prepared for meetings, to identify alternatives approaches to problems, and then to come to an agreement on the best actions to take. I try to take a balanced and even-handed approach to the issues. I listen to the opinions of residents, stakeholders, and by the views of other council members. In the end, council’s job is to work together to make decisions that are in the best interest of the city and its’ residents.

Greenbelt Station

I will work for sustainable community & economic development that provides stewardship for natural resources. I favor the idea of a mixed-use, transit oriented development on the metro station site. New development must complement a broader vision for Greenbelt West that includes Franklin Park, and Beltway Plaza. Quality construction and affordable housing for young families, government workers, and retirees are important values we must retain. Open space and watersheds must be protected.

Greenbelt Middleschool

The city should continue to evaluate the possible use or acquisition of the historic middle-school building for the benefit of our residents. When the Middle School Task Force finishes assessing community needs and makes usage recommendations, the city should develop a “business plan” analyzing likely expenses and revenue over time. Until then, it is premature for City Council to present proposals to the voters for their consideration.



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